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In re Application of:

TSAI ET AL.

Serial No. 09/474,634

Filed: DECEMBER 29, 1999

For: BIODEGRADABLE THERMOPLASTIC
NONWOVEN WEBS FOR FLUID MANAGEMENT

Examiner: PRATT, C.

Art Unit: 1771

RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner For Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed November 29, 2001, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

In the Claims:

Please cancel Claim 16 without prejudice or disclaimer.

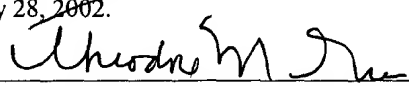
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